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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3))

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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. They are as follows:

- Allison, Anthony C. et al., "Mechanisms of Action of Mycophenolic Acid," *Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences*, vol. 696, 63-87, 1993 – **Exhibit 101**
- Atkins C. A. et al., "Purification and Properties of Inosine Monophosphate Oxidoreductase from Nitrogen-Fixing Nodules of Cowpea (*Vigna unguiculata* L. Walp)," *Archives of Biochemistry and Biophysics*, 236:807-14, 1985 – **Exhibit 102**
- Bradford, Marion M., "A Rapid and Sensitive Method for Quantitation of Microgram Quantities of Protein Utilizing the Principle of Protein-Dye Binding," *Analytical Biochemistry*, 72:248-54, 1976 – **Exhibit 103**
- Natsumeda, Yutaka and Stephen F. Carr, Human Type I and II IMP Dehydrogenases as Drug Targets," *Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences*, 696:88-93, 1993 – **Exhibit 104**

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- Okada, Masato et al., "IMP Dehydrogenase. II. Purification and Properties of the Enzyme from Yoshida Sarcoma Ascites Tumor Cells", *J. Biochem.*, 94:1605-13, 1983 – **Exhibit 105**
- Rhodes, Carol A. et al., "Transformation of Maize by Electroporation of Embryos", *Methods of Molecular Biology*, 55:121-31, 1995 – **Exhibit 106**
- Xiang, Bosong et al., "Monovalent Cation Activation and Kinetic Mechanism of Inosin 5'-Monophosphate Dehydrogenase", *J. Biol. Chem.*, 271:1435-40, 1996 – **Exhibit 107**
- Yamada, Yasukazu et al., "Action of the Active Metabolites of Tiazofurin and Ribavirin on Purified IMP Dehydrogenase", *Biochemistry*, 27:2193-6, 1988 – **Exhibit 108**

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits according to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3). In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d), copies of Exhibit 1-100 are not provided herein as they have been previously provided before. Copies of Exhibits 101-108 are provided herein.

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicants do not represent that the references have been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. § 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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